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PETITION TO WITHDRAW HOLDING OF ABANDONED PATENT APPLICATION

The above-identified application became abandoned because an Office Action sent by the USPTO was not received. The relevant facts are as follows:

- 1. An Office Action was mailed by the USPTO on November 3, 2004.
- The Office Action was mailed to the wrong address and was never received by the Applicants.
- 3. A search of the Applicants' file and docket records indicates that the Office Action was not received. A copy of the docket report for the above-identified application is enclosed herewith.

Thus, the Applicants respectfully submit that the Office Action was not received, and hereby petition the Commissioner to withdraw the holding of abandonment of the above-identified application.

Respectfully submitted,

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